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Talked with ORE, about 7. 25X1 25X1 a situation which is developing between State Department and AID with the France Subcommittee of Rouse Appropriations on the question of intelligence information on shipping to Cuba from foreign countries. I advised him of my conversation with Bob Michaels, House Appropriations Committee staff. indicated that ORR is alerted to this situation and is waiting for some 25X1 indication from AID and State as to the Committee's desires in this regard. that while I was aware of the Director's decision that if any 25X1 briefing was canducted on fereign shipping to Cubs, it would be done by the Agency, I did not construct his as a desire on this Agency's part but rather an offer if needed in view of the Director's determination that neither State nor Ali) should discuss intelligence matters. We discussed the U.S. Maritime figures which sald related 25X1 only to the ships but did not contain information on their cargoes. Following my discussion with STAT 8. 25X1 talkes again with 800 Michaels. I told him that we had advised State and AID that they were not to discuss intelligence information in their bearings (any intelligence briefings which were required to be provided by CIA) and added that since we had advised him of our position, we intended to do nothing until contacted further either by State and AID or the Committee. Michaels said this was agreeable as far as he was concerned (although another staff member handles the "assman Subcommittee). He said that Representative Rhodes, who along with Representative Lairs had been carrying the fight on this subject, is the ranking Republican. If a problem arises, he expects it would be necessary for us to talk with Representatives Rhodes and Laird in addition to other senior Committee members. 25X1